

PLUMB'S SILVER BILL.

Legal Tender Notes to be Issued for Bullion.

Four and a Half Million Ounces to be Purchased Monthly and at Last \$50,000,000 to be Coined.

A Silver Bill Introduced.—The silver bill prepared by Senator Plumb of New York, and introduced by Senator Plumb today, directs the secretary of treasury to purchase monthly silver bullion to the aggregate amount of \$50,000,000 of fine silver at the market price, but not exceeding \$1 for 37.1 grains of pure silver and to issue United States notes in payment therefor. These notes shall be legal tender for all purposes unless otherwise specified in any contracts. The aggregate amount of such notes outstanding shall not exceed the cost of the silver reserved on hand on the purchase of which the notes were issued. The notes shall be redeemable on demand at the treasury or at any bank in coin, but the secretary of treasury may, at his discretion, at any time and from time to time, at the expiration of two years from the passage of this act, prescribe regulations for the redemption of the notes on demand of the holder in an amount of silver bullion of the market price on the date of redemption the face amount of the notes thus redeemed in bullion, if in the discretion of the secretary such method of redemption shall be to the interest of the United States. The secretary shall coin such portion of the silver purchased, not less, however, than \$2,000,000 monthly, as may be deemed necessary to provide for the redemption of the United States notes. After two years the minimum coinage requirement shall be reduced to \$1,000,000 per month.

The Silver Bill Referred.

WASHINGTON, May 29.—Mr. Plumb's bill was referred to the finance committee. He then offered a resolution instructing the finance committee to prepare and report in connection with the tariff bill a statement showing the duties levied under the law, the duties as they would be under the house bill, and the duties under the bill to be reported by the committee, such duties to be stated in parallel columns. And especially if the committee should recommend new duties on any of the existing duties to state the reason in each case for such addition or increase.

In the course of discussion Mr. Sherman suggested the difficulty and even the impossibility of the committee on the tariff giving the reason for its recommendation in each of the 3,000 items covered in the bill. The reasons might be given generally but not in detail. Mr. Sherman moved to strike out of the resolution the words "in each case." Mr. Sherman's amendment was agreed to.

The senate refused to consider the naval appropriation bill, the pending question being on Mr. Cockrell's amendment to strike out the provision for the construction of three large armored battleships at a cost of \$10,000,000. Mr. Blair moved to amend the provision for the three battleships by inserting the following: "That this appropriation shall not be available for the construction of any battleships of the United States Navy." Mr. Blair moved to amend the provision for the three battleships by inserting the following: "That this appropriation shall not be available for the construction of any battleships of the United States Navy."

Mr. Blair's amendment was rejected and the vote was taken on Mr. Cockrell's amendment to strike out the provision for the three battleships. It was not agreed to—yeas 18, nays 83. The bill was then passed. Mr. Mitchell offered a resolution, which was agreed to, instructing the committee on pensions to report an amendment to the pension laws so as to provide in a more liberal manner for the widows, minor children and dependent relatives of deceased soldiers.

The senate then adjourned.

GENERAL MARKETS.

The Very Latest Quotations, with Corrections by Wire.

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The Increase in the Collection.

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While in the enjoyment of a social interlude Dr. Forney said to his brother Dr. Cook: "Doctor, you must be a very popular man in the parish."

"Yes," replied the doctor, "how's that?"

"Well," replied the doctor, "because you are so popular in the parish."

"Oh, is that all?" said Dr. Cook, "then what's my popularity for, I put in the extra expenses myself."

Disease makes cowards of us all. The bravest of men take to their heels when they are ill.

Washington Post: "Yes," said the exchange editor as he warmly plowed his editors through a humorous column.

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Milwaukee Journal: The things we think at night would be of great value today if we could only remember them.

POSSIBLY BLOODSHED.

Mr. Wilson's Bill to be Finally Considered—Census Questions.

Trouble Likely in Behring's Sea.

OTTAWA, Ontario, May 29.—Senator Macdonald, of Victoria, B. C., is here.

Speaking of the Behring sea matter he said that scalers would simply ignore the action of the American executive. The Canadian fishing fleet, he said, would go into Behring sea, as they considered they had a perfect right to do.

"I have long thought that the whole matter will be brought to sudden maturity by some act of bloodshed on one side or the other."

Some bold captain, with a ship load of valuable fish and feeling himself neglected in possession of them will defend the property and the diplomats will regret they did not use more expedition in bringing about extermination of the dispute.

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